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## NJDOT awards \$933,246 to Key Harbor and Sandy Hook marinas

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) Office of Maritime Resources announced that two New Jersey marinas have been selected to receive funding through the US Fish and Wildlife Service's National Boating Infrastructure Grant (**NBIG**) Program. They are Key Harbor Marina, Waretown, Ocean County and Sandy Hook Bay Marina, Highlands, Monmouth County. NJDOT/OMR has been successful to date in receiving over \$3 million in **NBIG** funds for transient boaters who enjoy time on the water in New Jersey.

The **NBIG** award will fund the construction of 12 transient slips with utilities along 150 feet of new bulkhead at Key Harbor Marina. At Sandy Hook Bay Marina, funds will supplement redevelopment of the entire marina including 32 dedicated transient slips with utilities. Key Harbor Marina and Sandy Hook Bay Marina will receive \$321,582 and \$611,664 respectively.

Each marina received an additional allocation under the Tier One portion of the **NBIG** Program earlier this fiscal year. Key Harbor Marina was awarded \$46,875 to provide dockside electric service to boaters at 12 new transient slips. Sandy Hook Bay Marina received \$55,230 for electric, stanchions and water services at its new transient docks.

The US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) of the US Department of the Interior provides **NBIG** funds to individual states to construct, renovate and maintain tie-up facilities for transient, recreational vessels 26 feet or more in length. Each participating state receives \$100,000 each grant cycle to fund small scale projects and larger transient projects compete for funds through a competitive national selection process. A panel of USFWS employees and the **NBIG** Subcommittee of the Sport Fish and Boating Partnership Council reviews and ranks the proposals.



Fred Brueggeman, the owner of Key Harbor Marina, (far right), poses with NJDOT, NJDEP and marina staff members during a site visit.

## Tuckerton Seaport and Baymen's Museum prepare for NBIG funds

Tuckerton Seaport and Baymen's Museum was awarded a \$489,596 National Boating Infrastructure Grant (**NBIG**) for FY 2005. The Seaport has been busy preparing for its **NBIG** project. The budget and project plan have been updated and the Seaport is in the process of compiling the required compliance documentation.

The Seaport is also putting into place internal controls and budget policies and procedures to meet

or exceed state and federal requirements for the receipt of the **NBIG** funding.

Tuckerton is also working with its Board of Trustees on a capital campaign to assure the matching funds are in place for the drawdown of the federal **NBIG** monies. The Seaport and its Board of Trustees say they are enthusiastic about this project and want to make certain this important infrastructure project goes off without a hitch.

# Grassy Sound Marina in Wildwood completes Master Plan

Grassy Sound Marina in North Wildwood has completed Phase 1 of its FY 2003 **NBIG** Project that included an award of \$6,750 to develop a master plan to upgrade transient service at the facility. Phase 2 of the Project is designed to renovate the marina to



provide accessibility for transient docking and amenities.

The main objective of the Grassy Sound Marina project is to upgrade and enhance the existing facilities to provide accommodations and recreational services for transient boaters cruising along the New Jersey Intracoastal Waterway. In addition to renovating the docks, upland transient facilities may be added to provide amenities for transient guests, including bathrooms, showers, sleeping quarters and a lounge. The site master plan also includes recommendations for renovating and upgrading the entire site, including docks and utilities, the marina store and parking areas.

The master plan's design, developed by Moffat & Nichol of Tampa, FL, was based on input obtained through site visits and meetings with representatives of NJDOT and marina owners Jim and Debbie Mooers.

Jim Mooers, owner of Grassy Sound Marina, proudly displays a sign that welcomes boaters to his facility.

## NJDOT now accepting NBIG Letters of Interest for FY 2008

NJDOT is accepting Letters of Interest for the **NBIG** Program. Letters of Interest should be in Microsoft Word, no more than two pages. They may be e-mailed.

Interested parties **must** first read the **NBIG** regulations at: <http://federalaid.fws.gov/BIG/bigfinalrule.pdf>

The following information must be included:

- Contact information, project location and other
- pertinent details.
- A brief project description, including scope of the project with specific concern for the needs of recreational boats 26 feet or more and the
- transient nature of the project.
- A realistic cost estimate for the concept
- A list of potential sponsor(s) for the local
- match, 25 percent of the federal funds received.

Whether the applicant plans to apply for Tier 1 or Tier 2 funding.

Additional application information can be found at: [www.njdot.nj.gov/works/maritime/marine\\_trades.shtml](http://www.njdot.nj.gov/works/maritime/marine_trades.shtml)

**Letters of Interest should be sent to:**

NJDOT Office of Maritime Resources  
1035 Parkway Avenue  
Main Office Building, 3rd Floor  
PO Box 837  
Trenton, NJ 08625-0837  
Attention: Linda Forrester, **NBIG** Program Administrator

**The NJDOT has received over \$3 million in NBIG funds for these marinas:**

**Belmar Municipal Marina** — FY 2002\*, 2003\*

**Farley State Marina** — FY 2002\*

**Seaview Harbor** — FY 2003\*

**Grassy Sound Marina** — FY 2003\*, 2004

**Palisades Interstate Park Commission** — FY 2005

**Spencer's Bayside Marina** — FY 2005

**Tuckerton Seaport and Baymen's Museum** — FY 2005

**Key Harbor Marina** — FY 2006

**Sandy Hook Bay Marina** — FY 2006

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